

*Administration Promised Accuracy in October but Disowns Numbers Today*

**Oversight and Government Reform Committee Ranking Member Darrell Issa (R-CA)**

**Letter to Recovery Act Transparency and Accountability Board Earl Devaney:** "Are you able to certify personally that the number of jobs reported as "created/saved" on

[www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov)

is accurate and auditable? If you are unable to do so, will you commit to incorporating some kind of qualifying information such as an asterisk or footnote to accompany the presentation of this information, warning visitors to the web site that the information is no accurate and auditable?"

**"As a result, whatever problems the early and partial data had, the full data, detailed on Friday**

**Riverside Press Enterprise, 11/17/2009:** Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board spokesmen

**"We're not going to certify these numbers. That's not our job," Pound said, noting the massive a**

[Appropriations Committee Chairman David Obey \(D-Wis.\) in Huffington Post, 11/17/2009:](#)

"Credibility counts in government and stupid mistakes like this undermine the government's ability to get the job done. Whether the numbers are good or bad, the government has a responsibility to get the numbers right."